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Thank you for attending the Detour Open House for the proposed bridge replacement at SR 190 @ Norfolk Southern Railway #718623 W 2.5 Miles West of Manchester, PI Number 0015566. Our goal is two-fold: 1) to provide you with information on the proposed project and 2) to provide an opportunity for you to give us your comments on the proposed project, which includes a traffic detour route that would be used during construction. In this handout package, you will find a description of the project, a location map, a map of the proposed detour, and a comment card.

As you enter the room, please take a look at the project display and the detour map. Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) representatives, wearing nametags, are available to discuss the project and answer your questions. There will be no formal presentation.

We hope you will take the opportunity to tell the GDOT what you think. Listed below are several ways to comment on the project. Your comments are important to us and, should you provide comments by one of the methods noted below, we will respond to you in writing usually within 30 days of the close of the comment period. All comments will become part of the project's official record.

While you are attending the open house, you can provide your comments today by filling out the comment card provided with this handout and dropping it in the comment box, or you may choose to provide your verbal comments to the court reporter who will transcribe your comments.

You can also provide your comments by **Thursday, March 12, 2020** by using any of the following methods:

- Online at <http://www.dot.ga.gov/AboutGDOT/PublicOutreach>.
 1. Scroll down to "Upcoming Public Meetings" or "Recently Held Public Meetings." Then select "View Info" for PI 0015566 Bridge Replacement – SR 190 over NS Rail;
 2. Lastly, click *Comment* at the top of the screen and follow the instructions to leave your comments.
- Mail in your comment card to Mr. Eric Duff, Georgia Department of Transportation, 600 West Peachtree Street NW, 16th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30308.

The project displays and plans will be available for review for ten days after this open house at the website noted above. Hardcopies will also be available at the GDOT District 3 office located at 101 Transportation Blvd, Thomaston, GA 30286. Following the ten-day public comment period, a copy of all comments received will be available by request at the Atlanta address listed above.

Again, thank you for attending this open house. If you should have any questions or need additional information, feel free to contact the project manager, Jonathan Barnett, at jbarnett@dot.ga.gov or the environmental analyst, Prue Benson, NEPA planner at JaBenson@dot.ga.gov of the Office of Environmental Services.

Sincerely,

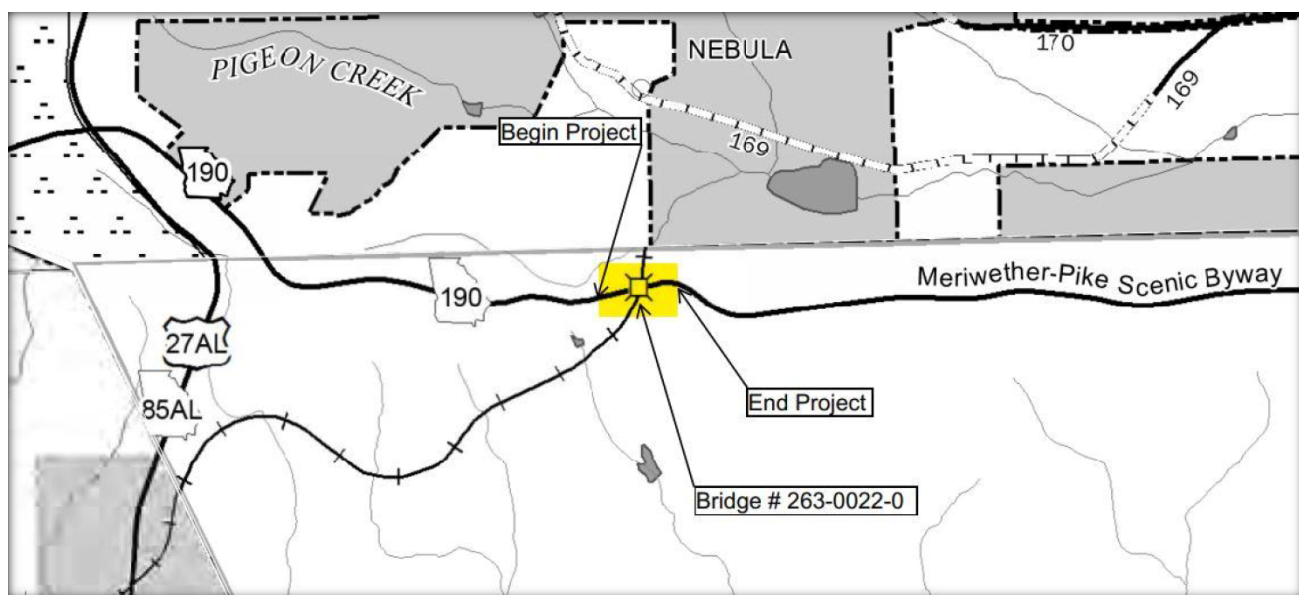
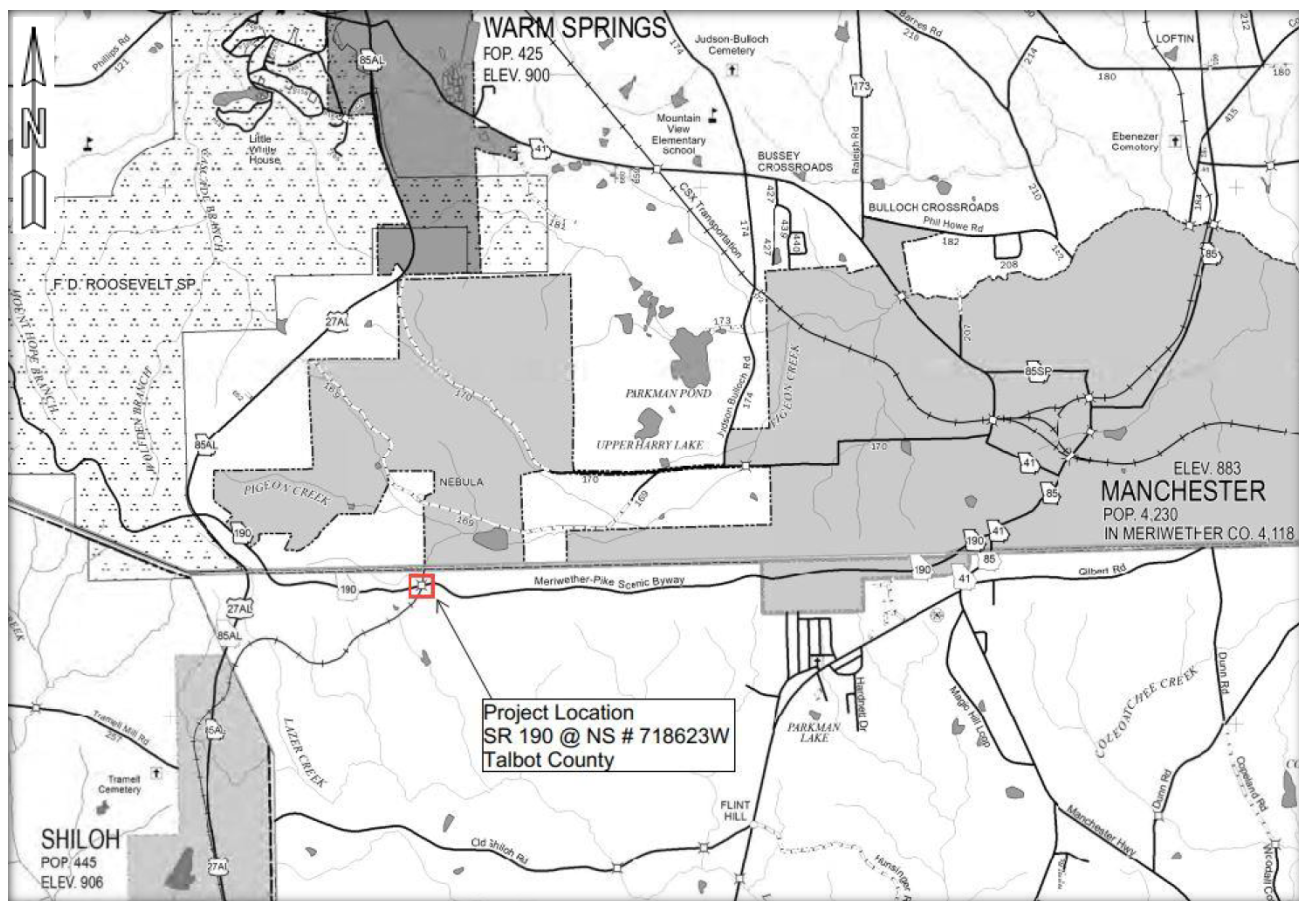


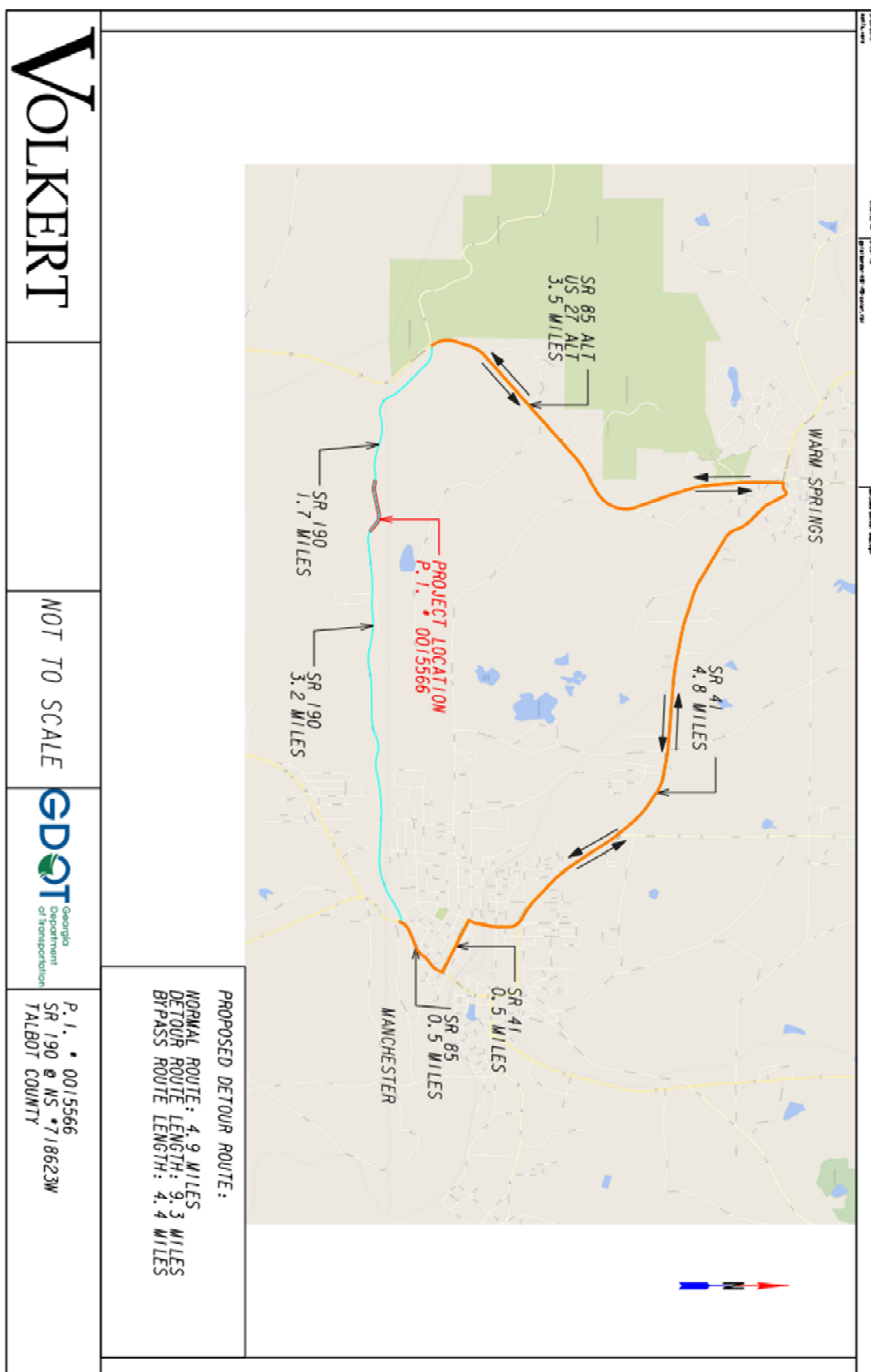
Eric Duff
State Environmental Administrator
Georgia Department of Transportation

Why We Are Here: The bridge on State Route 190 over Norfolk Southern Railway, Structure ID 263-0022-0 was built in 1955. The bridge consists of a one span deck truss on concrete abutments. The design vehicle used was an H-15 truck, which is below current standards. In addition, this bridge is considered fracture critical. The overall condition of the bridge is fair. The deck is in good condition with minor shrinkage cracks and abrasion wear. The superstructure is in fair condition with exterior beams having moderate to heavy surface corrosion. The top chord contains moderate surface corrosion with the diagonal and vertical members having moderate surface corrosion along the deck underside. The substructure is in satisfactory condition, with vertical cracking on the back wall on both abutments. Due to the age of the structure, not meeting current design standards, and the classification of fracture critical, replacement of this bridge is recommended.

Project Description: The bridge on State Route 190 over Norfolk Southern Railway, Structure ID 263-0022-0 was built in 1955. The bridge consists of a one span deck truss on concrete abutments. The design vehicle used was an H-15 truck, which is below current standards. In addition, this bridge is considered fracture critical. The overall condition of the bridge is fair. The deck is in good condition with minor shrinkage cracks and abrasion wear. The superstructure is in fair condition with exterior beams having moderate to heavy surface corrosion. The top chord contains moderate surface corrosion with the diagonal and vertical members having moderate surface corrosion along the deck underside. The substructure is in satisfactory condition, with vertical cracking on the back wall on both abutments. Due to the age of the structure, not meeting current design standards, and the classification of fracture critical, replacement of this bridge is recommended.

Project Location Map and Detour Map:





Comment Card

Please print responses.

Name _____

Address _____

Do you support the project and the detour as presented? (check your response)

☐ **For**

☐ **Against**

☐ **Conditional**

☐ **Uncommitted**

General Comments _____

How did you hear about this Open House? (check) ☐ **Newspaper** ☐ **Signs** ☐ **GDOT Website** ☐ **Radio**

☐ **Word of Mouth** ☐ **Social Media** ☐ **Other** _____

Was the location of the Open House convenient for you to attend? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

If no, please suggest a general location that is more convenient to your community.

Was the time of the meeting convenient for you to attend? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

If no, please suggest a time frame that is more convenient for you. _____

Were your questions answered by GDOT personnel? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Do you understand the project after attending this meeting? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Please share your suggestions on improving the ways GDOT conducts Open Houses:

Mail to:

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